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GUIDED MISSILE AND ASTRONAUTICS INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

17 June 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, COMIREX

SUBJECT: KH-4 Mission Coverage of Soviet Strategic
Ballistic Missile Launch Complexes

1. The Guided Missile and Astronautics Intelligence Committee (GMAIC) is greatly concerned that postponement of the next KH-4 mission to September 1970 will seriously degrade the efficacy of NIE 11-8-70 scheduled for USIB approval in September. Furthermore, strategic weapons deployment information provided on a timely basis is necessary to those involved with SALT.

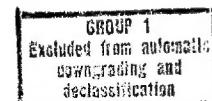
2. If the launch of KH-4 Mission 1111 is delayed beyond its original early August date, NIE 11-8-70 ICBM deployment statements will have to be based primarily on the March 1970 KH-4 Mission 1009 since coverage of the SS-9 ICBM deployed sites provided by Mission 1110 was largely incomplete. The GMAIC considers this unsatisfactory.

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3. In view of the above, it is recommended that every effort be made to re-schedule KH-4 Mission 1111 for late July or early August

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